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Transmitted herewith for filing is the Patent Application of:

Inventor: Michael J. Branson et al.For: APPARATUS AND METHOD FOR SYNCHRONIZING SOFTWARE BETWEEN COMPUTERS

This is a request for filing a divisional application under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(b) of pending prior application Serial Number 09/314,951, filed on May 19, 1999, and entitled "APPARATUS AND METHOD FOR SYNCHRONIZING SOFTWARE BETWEEN COMPUTERS".

The prior application has been incorporated by reference herein.

The following is attached:

- ☒ Transmittal sheet (in duplicate) containing Certificate of Mailing Under 37 CFR 1.10
- ☒ Divisional Utility Patent Application, with 60 pages Specification, 13 pages of Claims (61 total claims, of which 6 is Independent) and 1 page Abstract (filing fees calculated below)
- ☒ Copy of Executed Declaration and Power of Attorney and Petition from prior application
- ☒ 10 sheets formal drawings
- ☒ Information Disclosure Statement and Form PTO-1449
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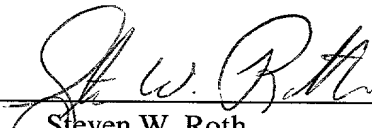
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